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15 February 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,  
Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes,  
Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Kent, [redacted]

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GENERAL CABELL:

Stated that Colonel White had reported that as a result of his visit to [redacted] it appeared that the facilities of that Station are not being fully utilized. He said as a case in point, apparently Station Chiefs in the [redacted] area are utilizing the services of the staff at their Stations rather than sending the indigenous trainees to [redacted]. Colonel White pointed out that this practice may be caused by the cost-consciousness of the several Station Chiefs in that it is cheaper from the COS' point of view to pay for the transportation and time of one or two instructors rather than sending a group of trainees to [redacted]. He pointed out, however, that the Agency is spending about [redacted] a year to maintain the training base at [redacted]. He also pointed out that it appeared to him that we are stretching security a little too far at this base. He said, for example, upon landing [redacted] are placed in "hooded trucks," transported to the "jungle," and no mention is ever made of the location. He said this treatment is applied to "major generals as well as privates" and there is no doubt in his mind that a goodly number of these people are well aware of where the training was taking place. Action: The Director asked DD/P to look into this problem.

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MR. DULLES:

Noted he was extremely concerned over the reports being received from the Congo about the possibility of a "mass massacre" of the Whites in this area, and directed that all of the Agency's facilities be alerted to report any and all information obtained on this matter. He said there is no doubt in his mind that if such a thing did take place, the Agency would be the first to be blamed for not obtaining information on this situation.

MR. AMORY:

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